

REMARKS

Claims 36-41 and 44-53 are pending in the present application.

Claims 1, 35 and 42-43 were canceled.

Claims 36-37 and 44-49 were amended herein.

The Office Action objected to claims 36 and 44 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but indicated those claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all limitations of the respective base claims and any intervening claims. In response, claims 36 and 44 were amended as indicated. In addition, claim 49 was amended to have a scope consistent with that of claims 38 and 44.

Reconsideration and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

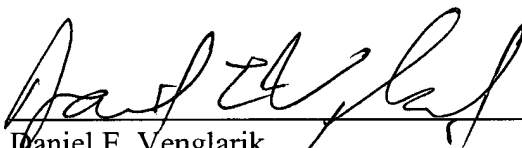
If any issues arise, or if the Examiner has any suggestions for expediting allowance of this Application, the Applicant respectfully invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below or at *dvenglarik@davismunck.com*.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees connected with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0208.

Respectfully submitted,

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